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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 386
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Kristy Brents of Houston High School in Germantown on winning the 1999 TSSAA State Pentathlon Championship.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially recognize and commend our great athletes, those who work hard, achieve great success and serve as exceptional representatives of their communities and the state; and

WHEREAS, Houston High School's Kristy Brents is one such exemplary athlete whose stellar performance at the TSSAA State Pentathlon Championship at Battle Ground Academy in Franklin earned her the 1999 state title; and

WHEREAS, ranked third entering into the competition among eight pentathletes, Ms. Brents performed close to or better than her own personal records despite a tendonitis ailment that persisted for three months during the season; and

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WHEREAS, the five-event competition included the 100 hurdles, long jump, high jump, shot put, and the 800-meter run; and

WHEREAS, entering the final event of the 800-meter run, which is a true test of endurance after five hours of competition, Ms. Brents was in third place; and

WHEREAS, she and defending champion Latoya Graves began to pull away from the other competitors after the first lap; Brents stated that “It was an awesome experience to be running beside Graves and leading everyone else”; she left Ms. Graves after the final turn and sprinted to a winning time of 2:27.74, a win that ultimately gave Ms. Brents the points she needed to claim the championship; and

WHEREAS, after a day in which Kristy Brents pushed herself to achieve her best performance ever, she won the grueling competition by accumulating 2981 points; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Ms. Kristy Brents for her dedication and esteemed performance; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate and commend Ms. Kristy Brents of Houston High School in Germantown for being named the 1999 TSSAA State Pentathlon Champion and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.